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COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR UNITED STATES PATENT

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence address, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventorS of the subject matter that which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled PROTECTIVE DEVICE FOR OBJECTS PLACED INSIDE THE REAR BOOT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE, the specification of which was filed on JJan. 19, 2003 and received application serial number 10/521,834

The specification was filed on <u>June 26, 2003</u>, as PCT International Patent Application No. <u>PCT/FR03/01980</u> and was amended on <u>N/A</u> (if applicable).

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

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Prior Foreign Applications(s):

<u>Number</u>	Country	Day/Month/Year filed	Priority Claimed
0209220	France	19 – July 2002	
PCT/PR03/01980	PCT	26 – June 2003	\bowtie

Under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e), we hereby claim the benefit of priority of any United States provisional patent applications listed below:

Prior Provisional Application(s):

Application Number

Filing Date

None

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Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 that became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Prior U.S. Application(s):

Serial No. NONE

Filing Date

Status: Patented, Pending, Abandoned

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Societe Europeenne De Brevets Automobiles, a French corporation, having a place of business at Societe de droit français, 127, rue Amelot, 75011 Paris, France, (Assignee) is assignee of the entire right, title and interest for the United States of America (as defined in 35 U.S.C. §100), by reason of an Assignment to the Assignee executed on Oct. 11 2005, an invention known as "Protective Device for Objects Placed Inside Rear Boot of a Motor Vehicle", filed on January 19, 2005, Application No. 10/521,834, which is disclosed and claimed in a patent application of the same title by the inventors, Guillez et al.

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